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TO AMEMBASSY BUENOS AIRES IMMEDIATE

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FOLLOWING SENT ACTION ANKARA INFO BEIRUT FROM SECSTATE MAY 24

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TAGS: ASEC, TU

SUBJ: ASSASSINATION THREAT

REF: (A) ANKARA 4103

(B) BEIRUT 5932

1. DEPARTMENT HAS CAREFULLY CONSIDERED THOUGHTFUL
RECOMMENDATIONS FROM BOTH POSTS WHICH GENERALLY PARALLEL.
WE COME DOWN ON SCENARIO CLOSER TO BEIRUT' S RECOMMEN-
DATION, WITH MAJOR EXCEPTION THAT COUNTERACTION SHOULD BE
LIMITED TO ATTEMPT TO TRACE CALL AND IF CIRCUMSTANCES
PERMIT MOUNT REMOTE SURVEILLANCE OF CALLER. IN SHORT WE
CONCUR WITH ANKARA' S RECOMMENDATION THAT NO RPT NO ENTRAP-
MENT OR ARREST ATTEMPT BE MADE FOR THE PRESENT.

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2. THE DEPARTMENT BELIEVES THAT INITIAL CALL COULD BE STRUNG OUT BY VARIOUS DELAYING TACTICS-- FIRST BY PLAYING DUMB AND THEN BY CALLING TURKISH SPEAKING OFFICER TO TELEPHONE. WHEN TURKISH SPEAKING OFFICER SENSES THAT STRING HAS BEEN PLAYED OUT AS FAR AS POSSIBLE HE SHOULD ENDEAVOR TO END DIALOGUE WITH STATEMENT THAT US POLICY DOES NOT PERMIT PAYMENT OF RANSOM OR EXTORTION MONEY AND THERE IS NOTHING EMBASSY CAN DO ABOUT IT.

3. EMBASSY ANKARA SHOULD DISPATCH TURKISH SPEAKING OFFICER TO BEIRUT ON THURSDAY TO ASSIST EMBASSY BEIRUT. OBVIOUSLY FINAL HANDLING OF OPERATIONAL DETAILS UP TO BEIRUT CHARGE WITHIN LIMITS SET PARA 1.

4. SY REPORTS THAT TELEPHONE COMPANY SECURITY OFFICIALS HERE UNABLE TO MAKE HELPFUL RECOMMENDATION RE HANDLING WITHOUT DETAILED KNOWLEDGE OF BEIRUT TELEPHONE SYSTEM. AT THIS POINT CLEAR WE DO NOT HAVE TIME TO PURSUE THIS FURTHER. RUSH
UNQUOTE RUSH

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